

**WORK SESSION
OF THE BRIGHAM CITY COUNCIL
TO DISCUSS AND PRIORITIZE PROJECTS
AUGUST 21, 2008
6:34 P.M.**

PRESENT:	Lou Ann Christensen	Mayor
	Bruce Christensen	Councilmember
	Scott Ericson	Councilmember
	Reese Jensen	Councilmember
	Ruth Jensen	Councilmember
	Bob Marabella	Councilmember
ALSO PRESENT:	Ben Boyce	Director of Parks and Recreation
	Mary Kate Christensen	City Recorder
	Kristy Law	Recreation Superintendent
	Bruce Leonard	City Administrator
	Mike Nelsen	Police Lieutenant
	Dennis Sheffield	Director of Finance
	Paul Tittensor	Chief of Police
	Paul Larsen	City Planner
	Pat Comarell	Consultant

Councilmember Ericson said if the City is going to do a revenue bond, it makes more sense to build a building that is related to the revenue. Mr. Fonnesebeck talked to the architect that did the study for the City's other building and came up with some numbers for a Public Works/Public Utilities Facility. There is currently 50,000 sq. ft. of Public Works storage and maintenance facilities. This includes the building on West Forest and a building at the Public Power Service Center. Public Works and Public Power Administration currently uses 24,000 sq. ft. This combines to 74,000 sq. ft. that could be in a metal building. When the Council met with the architect earlier, he quoted \$235 a sq. ft. for a Public Safety Building. Councilmember Ericson said a metal building would be \$139/SF and takes all of the services out of City Hall except the Council Chambers and Administration. This would free up the rest of the building for the Police Department. There would still need to be some security features added. A revenue bond could be used to construct the Public Utilities Building because it is using the revenue from these services to build it. Mr. Sheffield distributed three scenarios. (See attached). The bond obligation per year would be \$1.1 million. This option would allow the Council to put the Sports Complex on the ballot for a GO Bond if desired.

Councilmember Marabella questioned what the public perception would be if the City spent \$15 million without the public voting on it.

The meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m. The Council held a regularly scheduled Council meeting and then reconvened in a work session at 10:13 p.m.

Ms. Comarell said when she was the Ogden City Council Director, Ogden City had a General Obligation (GO) bond election for \$26 million; \$13 million to renovate the municipal building and the rest to do a public safety building. It passed with a 76% vote. At about the same, Ogden City built a baseball stadium.

Ms. Comarell said she has heard a lot about the EMS Building and the citizens being unhappy with the "Taj Mahal." She said when considering building a City Hall, the Council will need to decide what standard they want it built. It shouldn't be the Taj Mahal, but not cheap either. It should be something in between. It will be the symbol of the government. If the building looks nice and is professional looking, the citizens have more respect when they come into City Hall because they can see it is a professional office. The building reflects the City as a whole.

The Council set another work session for Monday, August 25, 2008 at 9:00 a.m. to discuss this further.

The meeting adjourned at 10:35 p.m.